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## HERNDON TRIAL FOR LIBEL IS POSTPONED

### Special Judge Asked For Does Not Appear At Russellville.

Russellville, Ky., Oct. 6.—One-third of the legal talent of surrounding counties, and as many residents of Logan county as could fill the courthouse, waited in vain at Russellville this morning for special judge to try the charges of criminal libel against the Logan County Press Company, for which A. M. Herndon and J. F. Logan, editors, and Mrs. A. M. Herndon were indicted by the June grand jury.

When the case came before the Logan Circuit Court, ten days ago, it was set for October 6 in order that Gov. Black would have time to designate a special judge. Judge John S. Rhea being unable to try the charges, because they were filed at his instance.

The indictment charged that an editorial in the Russellville Messenger accused Judge Rhea of "immorality, dishonesty, misconduct and unfitness." Commonwealth's Attorney, James R. Mallory, this morning was assisted by Commonwealth's Attorney Denny P. Smith, of the Hopkinsville District.

Hubert Meredith Chief Counsel for the Logan County Press Company, declared his defense would be that the charges of "immorality," dishonesty, misconduct and unfitness" were true.

After waiting until 10 o'clock for the appearance of a judge, attorneys for both sides went into an ante room to try to designate some one present who would serve.

After a short conference it was announced the attorneys were unable to agree and the case was continued to the February term of court.

When the indictment was returned Mr. and Mrs. Herndon and Mr. Logan were arrested, but refused to give bond until an officer of the publishing company insisted, because of Mrs. Herndon being in ill health. Upon her release from jail Mrs. Herndon fainted and for a time was in a serious condition.

Anonymous Letter Received.  
It was brought out yesterday that just after the appearance of the offending editorial Mrs. Herndon received an anonymous letter.

Although no word has been received from Gov. Black in regard to the appointment of a special judge, a return card was received by Attorney Meredith showing that a registered letter requesting the appointment was received at the executive mansion in Frankfort.

His letter to Gov. Black follows: "There is pending in the Logan Circuit court a prosecution for criminal libel in the name and style of the Commonwealth of Kentucky versus the Logan county Press Company, a corporation, A. M. Herndon, J. F. Logan and Mrs. A. M. Herndon.

"Judge John S. Rhea is the chief prosecuting witness and refused to try the case and caused that fact to be certified to you by the clerk of the Logan Circuit Court, to the end that you might under the law designate another judge to try this case, which is set down for trial on October 6, 1919. We are advised that thus far no Judge has been designated to try this case.

"It is being talked on the streets in Russellville, and folks are offering to bet, that no Judge will be sent to try the case on the 6th of October, nor until after the November election is over.

Of course I do not know what these prophecies are based upon. I only know that they are being made. I am bringing them to your attention in order that you may have full opportunity to disappoint these prophets and to prove their prophecies false.

### DEMANDS PUBLIC VINDICATION

"Permit me to say further that the defendant, Mrs. A. M. Herndon, is a most elegant lady, and that she has been very grossly mistreated. Not only has she been improperly charged with crime, and put in jail, but she has been annoyed with an anonymous letter of the very vilest sort.

"This little woman is entitled to a speedy public trial and an opportunity to establish her innocence, which she is well prepared to do. She is demanding and insisting upon this. Political capital must not be

made at the expense of her good name. She wants politics left out of this case, for when politics enters the court-house justice goes out.

"While I have written plainly and with some feeling, I haven't the slightest idea that you propose to do anything other than your full duty in this matter or that you would countenance the evil intimated by the prophets above referred to.

"I feel that you should know this in order that you may avoid being put in a false attitude in this matter.

"So let us face a Judge and then these intimations will thereby be proven to be false. We shall give them no credence whatever until they are proven to be true.

"I am sorry to bother you with this matter when you are so busy, but feel that my duty to my client demands that this be brought to your attention. With best wishes for your success in the November election."

Mrs. Herndon is grand marshal for Kentucky of the order of the Eastern Star. She is a sister to the Rev. James A. Chandler, pastor of Lander Memorial church, Louisville.—Courier-Journal.

Mrs. Herndon is a daughter of the late Rev. J. S. Chandler, who some years ago was pastor of the M. E. church, South, at this place, and is a sister of Mrs. Crowe, wife of Judge C. M. Crowe.

### WALTER PARKS FEDERAL LAND BANK APPRAISER

Mr. Walter H. Parks, of this place, received notice by wire, Saturday, of his appointment as Federal Land Bank Appraiser, for Kentucky and a portion of Tennessee. Mr. Parks left Sunday afternoon for Louisville, where he reported to the authorities and was assigned to duty, going to Lebanon, Monday, from whence he will go to Bowling Green and perhaps to Tennessee, before he returns home.

Mr. Parks is well fitted for this position, having for several years been engaged in the real estate business. His many friends here will be pleased to learn of, and approve his appointment.

### BIG LAND DEAL.

The tract of land belonging to the Collins heirs, about two miles from town, on the Beaver Dam road and Muddy Creek, was sold this week to Mr. J. C. Gabbert of Butler county. It is estimated that the tract contains 300 acres, for which the consideration is to be \$35,000, being the largest deal in real estate taking place in this vicinity, so far.

### BAPTISTS WILL ENLARGE WORK IN UKRAINE

If conditions will permit, the special commission to Europe representing the Baptist 75 Million Campaign will visit the Ukraine, where there are 40,000,000 people and only about 100,000 Baptists. It is the plan of the commission to learn how these struggling Baptists can be helped to carry on the evangelistic work in that important section and then see that this aid is furnished from the proceeds of the campaign.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE RECENTLY ISSUED

Herbert Mattingly, Fordsville, to Nettie Lanham, Fordsville.

D. O. Stogner, Centertown, to Ola Brown, Echols.

John Wallace, McHenry, to Debbie Austin, Select.

Emet Ferguson, Neafus, to Lizzie Vandiver, Neafus.

### CHURCH PEOPLE TO MEET IN OWENSBORO

Those in charge of the Interchurch World Movement of North America, for this section will meet in conference in the M. E. S. Church, Owensboro, October 13th, at 1 P. M.

This conference is for the purpose of completing the organization of Davies and adjoining counties, preliminary to the survey that is to be made of all Protestant organizations and societies and the advancement of the work and influence thereof.

### HAS OLDEST MULE IN COUNTRY.

Richmond, Ind., Oct. 4.—The oldest mule in the state and probably the oldest mule in the United States is owned by E. W. Thomas, farmer, near here. The animal is 42 years old. The original owner, on his death bed, requested Thomas to "pension" the superannuated beast.

## DR. JOHN L. HILL

State Organizer For The Baptist 75 Million Campaign.

A great all-day rally service for Ohio County Baptists will be held at Beaver Dam, Ky., October 15, at 10 A. M.

Dr. Hill is doubtless the greatest Layman in Kentucky, in fact Southern Baptists wanted him for one of their General men, but Kentucky said, "We will work him right here in Ky. Have all the questions you want to ask ready and fire them at him, for he wants you to ask and he will do his best to answer that we may all be clear and ready to work in unison on this big job for our dear Saviour.

All the Baptist Preachers, District Board Members, Church Organizers, W. M. U. Organizers, Team Captains and Workers are urged to be present and all other Baptists who possibly can should be there, for we are expecting the greatest day in the history of Ohio County Baptists.

D. EDGAR ALLEN, Organizer.

### MOUNTAIN MISSION SCHOOLS HAVE AN IMPORTANT TASK

One of the interests that will be fostered by the Baptist 75 Million Campaign which is not so generally known to the masses of the people is that of the mountain mission schools, of which there are thirty-nine, thirty-six of these being located in the Southern Appalachians and the other three in the Arkansas and Missouri Ozarks. There are 200 teachers in these schools and 6,000 students and money invested in these schools has probably yielded larger returns in strong denominational leaders of both men and women than any other work done in the homeland. It is the belief of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign manager that these people of the mountains are more truly American in spirit and in blood than any others in the United States and are animated by exceptionally unselfish ideals.

### MRS. L. B. LONEY DEAD.

Mrs. Loney, wife of Mr. L. B. Loney, died at their home near McHenry, Tuesday after an illness of considerable duration. Funeral services were conducted at West Providence, Wednesday, by the Rev. E. D. Maddox, after which the remains were interred at that place.

### A GOOD ICE MAN.

Our people will have to doff their hats to Mr. R. A. Bennett, manager of the Polar Wave Ice Co. Although the past season has been a dry and hot one, Mr. Bennett has run the ice plant throughout the entire season without a single "shut down," which is saying a whole lot. The quality of the ice has been good and the price equal to that maintained by the city plants, and the deliveries in the city have been far above the average. We are pleased to note that we have such a capable man at the head of one of our local institutions, and which saves our people considerable money throughout the season.—The Christian (Ill.) Weekly Courier.

Mr. Bennett is a former Hartford boy, a son of Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Bennett, and is another one of Ohio County's sons who is making good. His many friends here will be pleased to note his success.

### LIVIA, ROUTE 2.

Misses Carrie Mae and Nellie Wigginton and Messrs. Cecil Rhoads and Kearnie Ralph spent Saturday and Sunday with friends and relatives, at Island.

The little town of Buford, has a new marshal, but it seems as though he was not on duty Friday night, when they had the pie supper at Holbrook school house.

Ellis Stewart spent Thursday night with Mr. Gollar Stewart and family, near Pleasant Ridge.

Misses Winnie Dean Welsh, of Pleasant Ridge, Georgia Pate, Clifflie Dawson and Sarah Lee Hudson spent Sunday with Misses Pauline and Lillian Rhoads.

Mr. Marshal Riggan is building an addition to his house.

### A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

A chance to get into a good paying business with small capital, that will pay from \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year, call for Mr. HAMPTON at the New Commercial Hotel, Hartford, Saturday and Sunday, October 11th and 12th.

## BEADS ODDLY STRUNG

By I. D. Claire.

A well-known Italian citizen of Des Moines, says great numbers of his countrymen are returning to Italy because of prohibition. But why cross the ocean to get to Italy when they would only have to cross the Ohio river to get to Owensboro?

Forecasting the Owensboro tobacco market is a hazardous undertaking, but from information available I will venture the prediction that sound colored tobacco will bring quite as good or possibly a better price than last season, but the outlook for dark and inferior grades is less certain.

I am not yet ready to write my story of After-Midnight Life, but will mention a single feature that will be new to those who have not had occasion to observe it, and that is cats. During the day and earlier hours of the night one rarely sees a cat on the street, but from two or three in the morning the streets are alive with them. They are seen at these hours scampering about in such numbers that the strange visitor would be led to conclude that cat raising was the city's chief industry. Whether they come out attracted by the rats or scattered crumbs of food I do not know, but I am witness to the fact that in the stillest hours of the night cats walk abroad in amazing numbers.

Being myself a married man, I have always felt the keenest sympathy for the docile and wretched Jiggs Mahoney, and when the Jiggs family played a one-night engagement at the Yellow Banks I occupied a front seat. Yes, I saw the suffering Jiggs in the flesh, along with Maggie, Kittle and Dinty Moore. However, I was disappointed by the absence of Grogan. Jiggs was true to life and Dinty even more so, but Kittle was a disappointment and Maggie a travesty. She was forty pounds too stout and twenty years too young, and there was an absence of that inimical, ignorant insolence that McManus so artistically portrays. I'll confess I am prejudiced against Maggie, out of sympathy for the henpecked Jiggs, but the stage Maggie was bum. But it was a real show except for the chorus. There were ten girls in the chorus and they wore only clothes enough for one, and I can not forgive a woman, on or off the stage, for sacrificing the divine virtue of womanly modesty.

### HARTFORD HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

From the ravages of war and in fluence the Educational Institutions have no doubt suffered more than any one thing alone, but now as the great difficulty has been removed new interest in school and school work is being shown everywhere. This year will no doubt be remembered, as the new spirit of nineteen and nineteen seems to throw so completely a shadow over the last several years.

In the Hartford High School everyone is a great deal more interested than heretofore. There are nearly one hundred pupils enrolled and about fifty per cent of these are Freshmen. On account of the influenza epidemic last year a multitude of the pupils are taking extra work in view of completing the course in three years.

A branch of the Junior Red Cross has been organized, in which the entire High School went over the top, every pupil being a member. Although a branch of the Junior Red Cross was organized in nineteen and seventeen, the interest, even then, when sons and brothers were suffering for the help we might send them, did not equal the interest which is shown to-day.

The school has also laid out a basketball court, and everyone at present is greatly interested in basketball, which has proved to be a novelty as well as a sport, being the first interest of this sort since the old College burned in nineteen and twelve. Several teams have been organized and a number of the players will no doubt some day become champions as "all things however great, have small beginnings."

A Domestic Science class has also been organized for the benefit of the women of tomorrow (and also the men of that date.) The class is instructed between the hours of three and four, after school, as there is no time during school hours which would not interfere with the daily routine of the other work. Sewing only is being taught at present, but instructions on cooking will begin as

soon as the necessary equipment for the work is secured.

Last Wednesday, October the first, the Parent-Teacher Association presented the school with an American flag. The flag was presented by Mrs. J. R. Pirtle and when it was unfurled above the walls of the building every pulse beat was quickened and every heart throbbed exultantly to see the flag which had witnessed so many bloody scenes and won so many gallant victories waving to and fro in the October Sunshine.

In behalf of the Hartford School we take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to the Parent-Teachers for the gift of the flag and for the interest taken in us and our work.

### SCHOOL FAIR TO BE HELD AT FORDSVILLE

The Ohio County School Fair will be held at Fordsville, Saturday, Oct. 18. This promises to be of unusual interest from an educational standpoint. Programs are out, announcing the list of premiums for the various contests, all of which ought to stimulate considerable interest among both the students and teachers of the county.

There ought to be one or more of these school fairs held in the county every year and we trust that these occasions may become a fixture with the good people of Fordsville.

### WILLS PROBATED.

Two wills were probated in County Court Monday. No great amount of property was bequeathed by either. First—The Will of Mrs. Emma Ewell, wherein only two sons are the beneficiaries. Mr. Ola Ewell qualified as executor.

The Will of Leroy Condon, who resided at Narrows, was probated, after making some small bequests to his children, the major portion was devised to one son, as a consideration for the care of the Decedent's widow.

### COUNTY FINANCIAL STATEMENT IS FILED

The report of Messrs. J. L. Brown and J. H. Wood commissioners of the Ohio County Fiscal Court appointed to investigate as to the financial transactions and condition of the county for the years 1917 and 1918, was filed with the Fiscal Court at its session Wednesday, adopted and approved and ordered published.

The report showed the county's indebtedness on Jan. 1st, 1918, to be \$57,383.27, and on January 1st, 1919 the total indebtedness was \$51,855.54, showing a net reduction during the past year of \$4,527.73. A rather good showing for the year, especially when the price of labor and material of all sorts has been so unusually high.

### MAGISTRATES ALL IN THE POOR HOUSE

The Magistrates of the County, as well as County Court Clerk Blankenship, Deputy, J. Tate, and County Attorney A. D. Kirk, Sheriff Bratcher and a few others, spent a portion of the day Wednesday at the County Alms House. While not exactly charges upon the County, there is no doubt of the fact that a rather hard job was given Charlie Smith, the keeper, because he was host to the whole outfit at dinner.

The occasion was an expression of Mr. Smith's gratitude for and in celebration of his re-election as County Alms Commissioner for the ensuing term.

### LOUISVILLE MARKETS.

Hogs declined sharply, tops go off 85 cents. Best heavies 165 pounds up, \$15.25; 120 to 165 pounds, \$14.50; pigs, 120 pounds down, \$13; throwouts, \$12.25 down.

Sheep, lambs and calves sold on an unchanged basis.  
Quotations—Best sheep, \$6; bucks, \$4 down; best lambs, \$13; seconds, \$8@9; culls, 5@6.

Best veals, \$17.50@18; medium, \$8.50@12; common \$5.50@8.50.

Cattle—Prime heavy steers, \$12.00@12.50; heavy shipping steers, \$10.50@11.50; medium steers, \$9.50@10.00; light \$8.50@9.50; fat heifers, \$7.50@11.50; fat cows, \$7.50@10.50; medium cows, \$5.75@7.50; cutters, \$5.25@5.75; canners, \$5.00@5.25; bulls, \$6.00@7.50; feeders \$8.00@10.25; stockers, \$7.00@9.50; choice milk cows, \$95.00@115.00; medium, \$65.00@95.00; common, \$50.00@65.00.

## KY. METHODISTS MAKE YEAR'S ASSIGNMENTS

### Alvis S. Bennett Lay Delegate To General Conference.

The Kentucky Conference of the M. E. Church, which met in session in Louisville, last week, adjourned Sunday, after making the announcement of assignments for the ensuing year. Below will be found the general appointments and elections, together with the assignment of pastors for the Louisville District:

W. W. Shepherd, superintendent, Wilmore, Ky.; Albany, M. G. Shelley, L. W. Hammond and J. G. Pitman; Beaver Dam, R. O. Hayes; Bethel, Boyd Browning; Betheridge, S. B. Waldrip; Bowling Green, H. G. Murrell; Bowling Green circuit, Ira P. Day; Deer Lick, J. C. Landrum; Dexterville, J. R. Martin; Earlington, W. P. Perkins; Gradyville, G. H. Shelly; Greenville, A. K. Drayer; Hardinsburg, R. W. Huntsman; Hickory, W. A. Humpries; Hopkinsville, J. T. Watson; Kings Mountain, J. H. Lewis; Leitchfield, J. A. Phillips;

Louisville—Epworth, J. T. Martin and J. J. Seitz, assistant; Trinity, O. Curl; Wesley, W. F. Gregory; Middleburg, S. M. Currier; Munfordsville, Sherman Riggs; No Creek, H. W. Landreth; Oton, J. W. Cantrell; Owensboro, J. H. Embury and J. O. Logsdon; Paducah, H. S. Sims; Pulaski, E. C. Kenner; Riley, Lloyd Rounds; Sacramento, L. F. Payne; Science Hill, B. M. Wesley; Scottsville, W. H. Munsey and Ira Horn; Summit, Granville Jagers; Tompkinsville, W. H. Hale; O. H. Callis; conference evangelist; W. B. Dunkum, Union Gospel Mission; O. G. Reagan, with centenary.

Elders who were ordained Saturday are: M. M. Carmichael, J. L. Burton, E. T. Franklin, J. B. Kenyon, O. H. Collins, W. S. Peters, E. N. Earley, B. N. Lanham and A. W. Insko.

Deacons ordained are as follows: S. P. Franklin, W. G. Butler, Henry G. Murrell, M. B. Wesley and H. C. Sims.

Announcement was made by the conference treasurer Saturday that \$35,000 had been given during the past fiscal year toward benevolences in the Kentucky conference.

It was decided to have Kentucky remain in the Ohio Episcopal area and to return Bishop Anderson to that area. Delegates to the general conference to be held in Des Moines in May, 1920, were elected as follows: Ministerial delegates, Rev. W. B. Shepherd, Wilmore, and Rev. E. B. Overley, Newport; alternates, Rev. W. O. Davenport, superintendent, Ashland, and Rev. J. M. Litterel, superintendent, Covington and Lexington district; lay delegates, Alvis S. Bennett, Louisville, and Silas Wesley, Bethel Ridge; alternates, Fred I. S. Hess, Louisville, and John Venn, Ludlow.

### THANKS FRIENDS.

This is to express our appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us during the brief illness, and death of our beloved daughter and sister.

R. F. STEVENS AND FAMILY.

### MY AUTO 'TIS OF THEE.

My auto, 'tis of thee, short road to poverty; of thee I chant. I blew a pile of dough on you three years ago, and now you refuse to go, or won't or can't. Through town and countryside, you were my joy and pride—a happy day. I loved thy gaudy hue, thy nice white tires new, but now you're down and out in every way. To thee, old rattlebox, came many bumps and knocks; for thee I grieve. Badly thy top is torn; frayed are the seats and worn; the whooping cough affects thy horn, I do believe. Thy perfume swells on the breeze, while folks all choke and wheeze, as we pass by. I paid for thee a price, 'twould buy a mansion twice; how everybody's yelling "ice."—I wonder why? Thy motor has the grip, thy spark plug has the pip, and woe is thine. I, too, have suffered chills, ague and kindred ills, endeavoring to pay bills since thou wert mine. Gone is my bank roll now; no more 'twould choke a cow as once before. Yet, if I had the moon, so help me John, I'd buy myself a car and spend some more.—Walt Mason.